

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, April 22, 1729.

From the St. James Evening-Post, April 15.

Hague, April 22.

**T**HEY write from Petersburg of the 29th of March, that the Russian Emperor was to have a Fleet at Sea in June. The Direction of the Fleet of Russia is given to the Vice Admirals Synewin, Gordon and Sievers.

Letters from Hanover continue to mention their Expectation of seeing the King in that Electorate sometime in June next.

Paris, April 15. A Party of the King's Guards has received Orders to march to Soissons, whither all the Plenipotentiaries who are here will speedily follow.

Paris, April 20. Mr. Walpole and Mr. Stenhope, the two British Plenipotentiaries, are expected here this Evening, having landed at Calais Yesterday Morning.

They write from Madrid, that his Catholick Majesty was not expected there from Seville before the End of May, he taking a great Delight in visiting his Towns, and viewing his Ships and Docks.

Leyden, April 2. We have Advices from Gibraltar, dated March 16. O. S. importing, that the Governor of that Place was continually carrying on new Fortifications; That the Spaniards had yet a Centinel very little more than Cannon-shot from the Garrison; That several English Men of War lay at Anchor in the Port. From Cadix we are informed, that the Rye an English Man of War, together with the *Phoenix*, and another of the same Nation, are returned to Gibraltar, because they were not admitted into the Port of Cadix. The Princess *Louisa* an English Man of War, is in like manner gone from thence to Lisbon.

*Extract of a Letter from Gibraltar, by the Experiment Man of War, which came from thence the 25th past.*

Some Days ago the *Winchester* Man of War arrived here from Plymouth, with Orders for Admiral Cavendish to return with his Squadron to Eng-

land, leaving only 2 Men of War to go between this and Mahone. This News made us very uneasy on account of the Spaniards, whose Troops do seem to point towards us; the rather, that they have not yet suffered any Sailors to quit the Ships of War lately arrived from the West Indies, nor any Orders given for unrigging them, as usually. But we are now made easy again, a Sloop of War being arrived here from Portsmouth, which brings fresh Instructions to the Admiral, and which we are informed direct him to continue here. Our Fortifications are in good Order, and the People healthy; and being assisted to the Seaward, it will be out of the Power of Spain to hurt us.

We hear the Rt. Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have given Directions to the Rulers of Watermenshall, to furnish the Navy with 400 able Seamen, by summoning them into the Service pursuant to a late Act of Parliament; who if they do not appear according to the Summons, are to suffer 6 Months Imprisonment, and are not to work on the River Thames for 3 Years.

The *Gibraltar*, Capt. Cairns, bound from Naples to Amsterdam, was lost the 26th of February on the South East Coast of Ireland, and all her Crew was drowned.

From the Daily Post-Boy, April 15.

Versailles, April 15. The Piety of our young Monarch is very much cry'd up. It is not 3 Years since he gained the Jubilee of 1726; but that did not at all abate his Zeal for the present; His Majesty has spent all this Week in visiting Churches, and other Acts of Devotion; and attended no less than 3 Processions in his own Parish, always a-foot and bare-headed, tho' it rained sometimes; and when he was put in mind that the Jubilee lasted 2 Months, so that he might stay for fair Weather, he answered, *The Service of God, and Salvation, ought not to be deferred.*



*Deal, April 17.* Remain here his Majesty's Ship the *Squirrel*, and the *Otter* and *Wesel* Sloops; also the *Beaumont*, Capt. Macleesh, for Scotland, Wind N. N. E.

*London, April 15.* 'Tis written from France, that Dr. Atterbury, late Bishop of Rochester, being in an ill state of Health, is gone to reside at Montpellier, for the Benefit of that Air.

*From the London Evening Post, April 15.*

*Paris, April 20.* 'Tis believed that the Marriage of the Duke of Orleans with the Princess of Lorraine, will not be celebrated till the Month of September next.

Yesterday the King reviewed on the Plain of Sablons the Regiments of French and Swiss Guards, who then began their March to Compeigne, whither the King will go on the 22d.

*London, April 15.* This being the Anniversary of the Birth Day of his Royal Highness the Duke, who entered the 9th Year of his Age, their Majesties received the Compliments of the Nobility on that Occasion.

*Wye's Letter verbatim, London, April 17.*

*Since our last arrived a Mail from France.*

**A** Confirmation of the Report mentioned in our last, touching the King of Spain's refusing to pay the promised Subsidies to the Emperor, is very much desired, especially because of the good Effects which in all Probability will be produced thereby. Mean time 'tis not to be doubted but the Spaniards will, from the Measures we are now pursuing for carrying on a maritime War (if Occasion requires) soon be obliged to truckle to Terms for establishing an honourable and lasting Peace, especially seeing that France remains immovably fixt in her Resolutions to perform all the Engagements she has entered into with Great Britain and her Allies, mangre all the Endeavours that have been used to the contrary.

Last Tuesday the Lord Mayor received a Letter from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, setting forth, That there being a present Occasion for the fitting out a Squadron of his Majesty's Ships, which are now ready in all Respects for the Sea, but Men; and his Majesty in Council had commanded them to issue Warrants for impressing Men

for the said Squadron: But in order that the City of London may be timely supplied with Coals, they will give Protections to the Ships employed in bringing the same for a reasonable Number of Men to navigate them; and that they will likewise give Protections to such Merchant Ships as have already, or shall clear at the Custom house outward bound by the last of this Month.

Considerable Numbers of Seamen enter themselves voluntarily, from the great Encouragement given by the late Act, and no less than 40 of them came last Tuesday in a Body to Sir Charles Wager's House at the Admiralty Office, and insisted themselves with Sir Charles to serve in the *Cornwall*, being the Ship which the Admiral designs to hoist his Flag on board, and we hear his Baggage is already sent down to Portsmouth, and that he himself will follow some Day next Week, in order to take upon him the Command of the Squadron.

The Letters by the French Mail give an Account, that on the 18th Instant, N. S. his Excellency Mr. Walpole returned thither from London, and set out the 23d for Compeigne, from whence he will go to Solifons with the other Plenipotentiaries to renew the Conferences.

Those from Constantinople make no mention of the Grand Signor's Death; but tell us that they continue their Preparations for a War, in conjunction, as was generally believed, with the Sultan Esref, to re-take the Countries conquered by the late Czar in Persia.

Governor Harrison Postmaster General, is chosen Chairman, and Sir Matthew Decker Deputy-Chairman of the East India Company, and the Honourable Horatio Walpole Esq; is chosen one of the Directors of the Bank of England.

Yesterday the Lords in a Committee went thro' the Bill for Relief of insolvent Debtors. 'Tis said the Attornies are to take an Oath, That they will not do or allow any Injustice to be done to any Person, in any Proceedings to be by them carried on in any Courts of this Kingdom; That they will not for their own Gain or Profit, put any Person to unnecessary Expence or Delay in any Action, nor increase any Fees, nor maliciously for their own Gain, sue out any Writ or Process to the Hurt of any Man, nor influence any impartial Person upon a Jury, in giving his Verdict, &c.

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This Day the Lords proceeded on the Consideration of the State of the Nation, and the Papers relating to the Squadron in the West Indies; and deferred the further Consideration thereof till Tomorrow.

There is Account of another English Ship being taken by the Spaniards the 13th January, and carried to Porto Rico; from whence several Ships were putting to Sea a-cruising.

*From St. James's Evening-Post, April 17.*

*Bologna, April 3.* The Coaches and Movables of the Princess Clementine Sobieski are all embarked for Rome; and herself with her two Sons and their Domesticks will very speedily follow.

*Stralsund in Pomerania, April 11.* Here is Arrived in this Port a Swedish Fregat, with divers Officers and Gunners, together with a considerable Sum of Money, to raise Recruits and repair the Fortifications of Wefmar. The Captain of this Fregat reports, that the Officers appointed to serve on board the Squadron sitting out at Carelsbroon have had Orders to repair thither; That to all Appearance, Prince George, the King's Brother, would quit the Service of Prussia, to enter into that of Sweden, to which Intent a new German Regiment was to be levied in these Quarters, whereof that Prince was to be Colonel. On Advice we have, that the Officers of a neighbouring Power had forcibly enlisted some Subjects of Swedish Pomerania, Count Meyerfield, Governor of this City, has caused the Guards along the River Peene to be reinforced, with Orders not to let pass any foreign Soldiers.

*Paris, April 24.* On the 22d his Majesty, accompanied by several Lords of the Court, set out for Compeigne; but 'tis now said for certain that no Camp is to be formed there this Summer, his Majesty designing to return to Versailles about the End of May next.

Mr. Walpole and Mr. Stanhope, the two British Plenipotentiaries, arrived here Yesterday, and had immediately a Conference with Cardinal Fleury on the Affairs of the Congress, which seem to gather new Strength.

We daily expect from the Court of Madrid the Duke de Bournonville, First Plenipotentiary of Spain, to be present at the Renewal of the Congress

of Solifons.

Letters from Rome import, that the Journey of the Pope to Benevento was deferred.

*London, April 17.* Yesterday two Dispatches were sent from St. James's by his Majesty's Messengers in waiting, to his Grace the Duke of Newcastle's Office, in order to be sent, the one to Paris, the other to Madrid.

On Tuesday Night the Rt. Honourable the L. Glenorchy, late his Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary with the King of Denmark, arrived here from Holland, and went Yesterday to wait on the King, to give his Majesty an Account of his Negotiations at that Court.

*From the Evening Post, April 17.*

*Stockholm, April 9.* The Equipment of our Fleet has for these several Days past, been hastened more than before, in order to be ready to take the Sea before the end of May; and 12,000 Men are ordered to hold themselves in a Readiness against that time. A Day or two since 1800 Sailors were sent to Carelsbroon. Upon some Rumours spread, intimating that the King of Denmark was disposed to enter into an Accommodation with the Duke of Holstein on Account of the Dutchy of Sleswick, the Danish Minister, by order of the King his Master, has publicly declared, 'That his Master was highly surpris'd at these Reports which had not the least Foundation; and so far from being disposed to dispossess himself of the said Dutchy, he would not even part with the smallest Village thereto pertaining.'

*London, April 17.* Letters from Paris of the 10 of April advise, That the Marquis Brancas, Ambassador of France at the Court of Spain, had written, that in an Audience he had of the Queen of Spain, she mentioned that Don Patinho had nigh completed the Account of the Charges in bringing home the Galleons; and that it was her Opinion, the Indulto on the Effects brought home by the Galleons would be about 15 l. per Cent. as likewise, 5 per Cent. on the Effects brought home by the Azogues or Quicksilver Ships from Vera Cruz.

We are assured that his Majesty will visit his German Dominions this Summer, and that he will set out the beginning of June next, Orders being given

given for getting the Yachts in a readiness to carry his Majesty to Holland.

South Sea Stock 97 1 half.

From the London Evening Post, April 17.

London, April 17. Sir George Walton set out this Morning for Portsmouth, to hoist his Flag on board the Princess Amelia, and to hasten the Equipment of the Ships in Commission there.

Sir Charles Wager will be ready to sail with the Squadron under his Command for the Mediterranean in 3 Weeks at farthest.

Tomorrow Morning at six a-clock the Earl of Buchan sets out for Scotland.

Haddington, April 18. 1729.

Best Wheat,	11 00 00.	2d, 10 10 00.	3d, 10 00 00.
Best Bear,	09 06 00.	2d, 09 00 00.	3d, 08 14 00.
Best Oats,	08 00 00.	2d, 07 12 00.	3d, 07 04 00.
Best Pease,	08 00 00.	2d, 07 17 00.	3d, 07 11 00.

This Day (being the 6th of the Moon) it is high Water at Leith at 6 o' Clock, 18 Minutes. Tomorrow, at 7, 6 Min. On Thursday, at 7, 54 Minutes.

*Nota.* In our Yesterday's Paper, in the Edinburgh Paragraph anent the Circuit, last Line, read *Air*, May 1st, Glasgow the 10th, and Stirling the 20th.

## ADVERTISEMENT S.

That the BLEACHING COMPANY at Dalguburn near Dumbarton, have begun to lay down Cloth for this Season's Bleaching; and as they have brought their Undertaking a greater length than last Year, and as they have the whole Season before them, they are in hopes to give the Country more Satisfaction than hitherto they have been able to do, occasioned by the many Disappointments that have hitherto retarded their Business: And to prevent any body's being disappointed of having their Cloth return'd to them this Season, the Company are determined to take in only a small Quantity of Cloth. The Cloth is to be taken in, at Edinburgh, by James Maggibie Merchant, at his Shop Head of the West Bow; and at Glasgow, by Laurence Scott Merchant there, at his Shop in the Trongate. The Price of Bleaching for this Season, to be Sixpence per Yard for all Cloth Yard-broad, of the Value of Three Shillings or above, when whitened; and all Cloth Yard-broad, below the foresaid Value, to pay Fivepence per Yard: All other Cloth to pay a proportionable Part of the foresaid Rates, according to the Breadth and Fineness. The Cloth will be Returned, when whitened, at the same Places where it was given in. The Hours for taking in and delivering out

the Cloth, to be from 10 to 12 in the Forenoon, and from 2 to 4 in the Afternoon, every lawful Day. No Piece of Cloth above 50 Yards in length nor under 20, will be taken in: And 'tis desired that every Piece be distinctly marked with the Proprietor's Name at length, stitch'd in the Cloth with Linen Thread, and not with Silk.

That the Gentlemen's Subscription Plate of Twenty five GUINEAS Value, is to be run for at Dumfries, upon Tuesday the 27th of May next, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding carrying Ten Stone English, Bridle and Saddle included, running three Heats about, four Miles each Heat: The Horses that run, to be kept ten Days in the Town of Dumfries before the foresaid Day of running, and to be entered five Days before that Day, and to pay two Guineas of Input-money; no fewer than three Horses are to run; and that the Input-money is to be run for on the Thursday following, by Galloways not exceeding fourteen Hands high, carrying Eight Stone, allowing Weight for Inches; which Galloways are to be entered the Day before running, and to be kept in Town at least four Days before. The Articles and Regulations are to be seen at the Town-clerk's Office in Dumfries.

\*\*\* That by Order of the Trustees for the Creditors of William Douglas of Glenbervy, Robert Douglas of Scotland, and others, upon Tuesday the Tenth Day of June next, within the House of Mrs. THOM Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of Three and Five in the Afternoon, There is to be exposed to Sale, by way of voluntary Roup, the Lands and Estate of SCOTSCRAIG, holding Feu of the Crown, lying within the Parish of Ferry Partonraig, and Sheriffdom of Fife, extending of yearly free Rent to 8 Bolls Wheat, 237 Bolls, 2 Firlots Bear, 37 Bolls Pease, 115 Bolls Oats, 10 Bolls Rye, and L. 1311 14. d. 4. of Money, besides 17 Dozen and a half Poultry, Fowls, and Muffel-scap and Pigeon house, and a great many Services and Carriages not rentall'd, and having a good convenient well furnished dwelling-house, consisting of 14 Fire Rooms, besides Closets, Cellars, and Woman-house, Stables and other Office-houses of all kinds; a large Orchard and Kitchen Garden, and Bowling green inclosed with very high Walls, and all the Tenants Houses in exceeding good Repair. There is likewise at the same Time and Place to be exposed to Sale the Lands and Barony of Foody and Fingask, holding Feu of the Crown, lying within the Parish of Dairsley, and Sheriffdom of Fife, extending of yearly free Rent to 20 Bolls, 2 Firlots Wheat, 97 Bolls, 2 Firlots Bear, 111 Bolls Oats, and L. 633 14. d. 2. of Money, besides 12 Capons, 160 Hens, 72 Carriages of Coals, and 30 Threaves Oat Straw not rentall'd, and having a very convenient dwelling-house well repaired, a Pidgeon-house and three Inclosures. The Rentals, Progress, and Conditions of Sale are to be seen in the Hands of William Forbes, Writer to the Signet, at his Chamber in the Parliament Clofs.

N. B. The above Lands were formerly advertised to be sold; but the Day of the Roup was prorogued by Order of the Trustees.

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